

Vision Statements

Joanne –

Retain:

Character and quaintness

Historical sites

Recreational attractions

Josh – respect for private property rights

Rich – sustain character of town without depleting resources

Develop efficient town services, remain modern

Paul – maintain local control, not be influenced by outside sources

Documents show that there is not a desire for a “cookie-cutter” town – Moultonborough is a unique place

Peter- add in healthy respect for property rights, aspect for rural character

Tom– most of these vision statements are more like goals. What should the community look like from a demographic standpoint? Need to balance demographics. It’s a failure for Moultonborough to become a retirement community.

Keith – develop a sense of community in Moultonborough. Protect rural character, respect what the town wants.

Bob P– rural community is what people want

Chris – there is nothing that addresses growth in the community. Where do we want to be X number of years from now? What should a downtown look like here, what does that mean?

Joanne - Protect Moultonborough’s heritage – promote the town’s history

Scott – Greater emphasis in protecting water resources in the town. Surrounding towns also need to be doing the same.

Josh – Sustainability can turn into political agenda. Think about demographics. Boils down to three things: Need jobs, low taxes, and good schools for young families. Growing town may drive up the taxes. Public water system, public sewer system.

Russ - What kind of economics can this town provide? Like to see Moultonborough stay the way it is. No big name commercialization. Industry needs to have good guidelines.

Rich – Put Safety into the vision statement. Are we prepared for forests fires? Keep town safe from natural disasters. Make sure townspeople are safe. Kids, roads are safe. Keep safety

modern and up to date. Also, grow internet infrastructure. This could increase job growth – jobs in people’s own homes.

Paul – define what makes Moultonborough unique. What sets us apart from surrounding towns? Need to be respectful of diversity in the community. Diversity of economic situation (year-round resident, seasonal, tourists)

Chris – master plan should have short term and long term goals

Paul – must write very clear and attainable goals and objectives. If goals are just an extension of vision statement, we are not going to accomplish much. Short, mid, and long term goals

Vision statement should include public participation – have it include the “why” we are going to do this (rationale).

New things that need to be brought up:

Chris – where are we going to add physical growth in the town?

Peter – moving the village off of rt. 25.

Rich – how are we going to create a town environment where people are cared for? A place where people take of each other. Add citizenship to vision statement.

Bob – the town is a very caring town. Also, aquifer is one of the most important resources in the town. We need to protect this resource.

Russ – vision statement needs to stay broad. It can’t make pointed suggestions.

Tom – some entities that will come here will be tourists related. We can’t set our regulations so that a business cannot settle in the area.

Joanne – emphasis helping out people

Paul – Have a master plan that respects everyone’s ideas. Make a cohesive community. Also, we tend to forget all about the rest of Moultonborough. Address the rest of the town.

Scott – adopt the philosophy of the baby boomers. The money is coming out of their pockets. We may be a retirement community.

Peter – large tracts of land are becoming more and more scarce

What makes Moultonborough unique

Low tax rate

Low density

Massive amount of lake frontage

Friendly people

Exercise of local control

The views and the people

Own school district

Public water access

Leader among lake communities

Low property taxes

Great toastmaster club

Great community garden

Great library